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Programme of meetings and agenda

Official meetings

[There are no official meetings scheduled at Headquarters *today*, 28 December 2004.]

Forthcoming official meetings

Security Council

Security Council Committee established pursuant to resolution 1373 (2001) concerning counter-terrorism

The Security Council Committee established pursuant to resolution 1373 (2001) concerning counter-terrorism, together with the Commonwealth of Independent States, will hold in Almaty (Kazakhstan) from Wednesday to Friday, 26 to 28 January 2005, its fourth special meeting with international, regional and sub-regional organizations (open to Member States and invitees). All Member States are welcome to attend as observers. Interested Member States are kindly requested to contact the Permanent Mission of the Republic of Kazakhstan (tel. 1 (212) 230-1900, extensions 20 or 13).

General Assembly

International Meeting to Review the Implementation of the Programme of Action for the Sustainable Development of Small Island Developing States
Port Louis, Mauritius, 10-14 January 2005

The Secretary-General of the United Nations International Meeting would like to inform all concerned that the International Meeting will be held *at the Swami Vivekananda International Convention Center, at Les Pailles, Mauritius,* from 10 to 14 January 2005. It will be preceded by two days of informal consultations in Mauritius on Saturday and Sunday, 8 and 9 January. The high-level segment will be held on Thursday and Friday, 13 and 14 January.

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The provisional agenda and annotations are contained in document A/CONF.207/1 and the organization of work, including the establishment of the Main Committee, is contained in document A/CONF.207/4.

Lists of speakers

Plenary interactive panels

There will be no speakers' lists for the interactive panels organized in the plenary, scheduled to take place from Monday, 10 January, to Wednesday, 12 January. The Panels will address the following themes: The Environmental Vulnerabilities of Small Island Developing States; The Special Challenges of Small Island Developing States in Trade and Economic Development; The Role of Culture in the Sustainable Development of Small Island Developing States; Addressing Emerging Trends and Social Challenges for the Sustainable Development of Small Island Developing States; and Building Resilience in Small Island Developing States.

High-level segment general debate

The list of speakers for the high-level segment of the International Meeting, to be held on 13 and 14 January 2005, is open for the general debate under item 8 of the provisional agenda entitled, "Comprehensive review of the implementation of the Programme of Action for the Sustainable Development of Small Island Developing States". Statements would be presented by Heads of State or Government, or their high-level appointees, on the basis of the list to be drawn up by the Secretariat in accordance with established practice. It has been recommended that statements not exceed five minutes. Delegations wishing to inscribe should indicate the name and designation for the speakers' list to Ms. Lorna Fidler (tel. 1 (212) 963-2319; fax 1 (212) 963-5935; e-mail fidler@un.org).

High-level segment round tables

There will be two round tables on the overall theme "The Way Forward".

Round table 1, to be held on Thursday, 13 January, from 3 to 6 p.m., will highlight resources; and *Round table 2*, to be held on Friday, 14 January, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m., will highlight capacity-building and technology transfer.

Delegations wishing to inscribe should indicate the name and designation and the round table to which they would like to inscribe to Ms. Lorna Fidler (tel. 1 (212) 963-2319; fax 1 (212) 963-5935; e-mail fidler@un.org). Each interactive round table would have 40-50 participants and would be open to Heads of State or Government or their high-level appointees.

In accordance with paragraph 8 (a) of document A/CONF.207/4, representatives of United Nations specialized agencies, organizations and programmes and intergovernmental organizations, as well as the representative of the Civil Society Forum, wishing to make statements on the opening day, should indicate the name and designation to Ms. Lorna Fidler (tel. 1 (212) 963-2319; fax 1 (212) 963-5935; e-mail fidler@un.org).

Economic and Social Council

Committee on Non-Governmental Organizations
2005 regular session

The 2005 regular session of the Committee on Non-Governmental Organizations will be held from 5 to 18 January 2005 in Conference Room 1. The provisional agenda with annotations is contained in document E/C.2/2005/1[1]. Members of the Committee, as well as observers, who wish to attend the session, are kindly requested to communicate the composition of their delegations to the Secretary of the Committee, Ms. Sangeeta Sharma (room S-2950G; fax 1 (212) 963-5935). Background information on the Committee, its procedures, forms and documentation, is available on the Web site of the NGO Section, DESA (www.un.org/esa/coordination/ngo).

[1] To be issued.

United Nations Children's Fund

Executive Board

Pre-session briefing

An informal pre-session information briefing on major issues before the UNICEF Executive Board at its first regular session (17-19 January 2005) will take place on Monday, 10 January 2005, from 10 to 11 a.m. in the Economic and Social Council Chamber. The provisional annotated agenda and organization of work are contained in document E/ICEF/2005/1. All delegations are invited to attend.

First regular session for 2005

The first regular session of the UNICEF Executive Board will take place from 17 to 19 January 2005 in Conference Room 2, at the United Nations Headquarters.

The provisional annotated agenda and organization of work are contained in document E/ICEF/2005/1. Advance copies of all documentation for the session are available on the UNICEF Web site (www.unicef.org/about/execboard/index_23930.html).

Delegations are requested to fax their credentials to the Office of the Secretary of the UNICEF Executive Board (fax 1 (212) 326-7096) as soon as possible, but no later than Friday, 14 January 2005.

In accordance with rule 50 (2) of the rules of procedure and its annex, observer delegations are also requested to communicate, with their credentials, their special interest in the items of the provisional agenda on which they intend to intervene.

Joint meeting with the Executive Boards of UNDP/UNFPA and WFP

The joint meeting of the Executive Boards of UNICEF and UNDP/UNFPA, with the participation of WFP, will be held on Thursday, 20 January, and on Monday, 24 January 2005, in Conference Room 2.

Executive Board of the United Nations Development Programme and of the United Nations Population Fund

Pre-session informal consultations

The Executive Board of UNDP and UNFPA will hold its pre-session informal consultation on all matters before the first regular session 2005, on Monday, 10 January 2005, from 11 a.m. to 12 noon in Conference Room 8.

First regular session 2005

The first regular session 2005 of the Executive Board of UNDP and of UNFPA will be held from Tuesday, 25 January, to Friday, 28 January 2005, in Conference Room 2. The provisional agenda, list of documents and work plan for the session are contained in document DP/2005/L.1. Member States as well as observers and other organizations are requested to fax their credentials to the secretariat of the Executive Board of UNDP and UNFPA (fax 1 (212) 906-5634) as early as possible, but not later than 14 January 2005.

The joint meeting of the Executive Boards of UNDP/UNFPA, UNICEF and WFP will take place on Thursday, 20 January, and on Monday, 24 January 2005, in Conference Room 2. Prior to the convening of the joint meeting, there will be a formal meeting of the Executive Board of UNDP and of UNFPA, on Thursday, 20 January, at 10 a.m., to elect its new Bureau for 2005.

Other forthcoming meetings

The information below is reproduced as received and does not imply any opinion or endorsement by the Secretariat of the United Nations.

Arab Group

There will be a meeting of the Arab Group on Wednesday, 29 December 2004, at 11 a.m. in Conference Room 8.

Announcements

Multi-stakeholder consultation on "Sovereign debt for sustained development: Issues for countries that access financial markets"

There will be a multi-stakeholder consultation on "Sovereign debt for sustained development: Issues for countries that access financial markets", organized by the Financing for Development Office, Department of Economic and Social Affairs, in cooperation with the Economic Commission for Latin America and the Caribbean, at

United Nations Headquarters, on Monday and Tuesday, 31 January and 1 February 2005. The consultation will comprise a series of informal meetings, including panel discussions and interactive round tables, with the participation of experts from the official and private sectors, as well as academia and civil society, as mandated by General Assembly resolution 58/230. *Delegations wishing to nominate individuals with appropriate expertise to act as panellists and/or round-table participants are kindly invited to submit the name and curriculum vitae of the proposed expert to the Financing for Development Office, DESA (fax 1 (212) 963-0443; or e-mail ffdoffice@un.org), by Friday, 31 December 2004.* Information on the modalities and background documentation of the event is available at www.un.org/esa/ffd/09multi-stake-consul-flyer-debt.htm.

High-level round tables to be convened during the high-level plenary meetings of the forty-third session of the Commission for Social Development

The forty-third session of the Commission for Social Development will be held at Headquarters from 9 to 18 February 2005. In its resolution 2004/58, the Economic and Social Council decided that the forty-third session of the Commission for Social Development should convene high-level plenary meetings open to the participation of all United Nations Member States and observers on the 10-year review of the implementation of the Copenhagen Declaration and Programme of Action and the outcome of the twenty-fourth special session of the General Assembly. *The high-level plenary meetings will be held on 10 and 11 February 2005. In this regard, three high-level round tables will be convened on eradication of poverty, promoting full employment and fostering social integration.* Information on these three round tables, as well as other background information for the forty-third session of the Commission, is available for pick-up outside room DC2-1320. For further information, please visit the following Web site: www.un.org/esa/socdev/csd/csocd2005.htm.

Security Council

Daily informal briefings

As from Friday, 3 December 2004, and for the rest of the month, the Presidency of the Security Council will conduct informal briefings daily on the current work of the Council for Member States of the United Nations, which are non-members of the Council, except on days on which no informal consultations are scheduled. The briefings will take place immediately following the adjournment of the informal consultations in the Press Briefing Room (S-226).

Recorded information

Recorded information about previously unscheduled meetings and consultations of the whole of the Security Council may be obtained by calling 1 (212) 963-8530.

Background information on a report of the Secretary-General

The report of the Secretary-General on the modalities, format and organization of the high-level plenary meeting of the sixtieth session of the General Assembly has been issued in document A/59/545 and can also be found on the United Nations Web site (www.un.org/SG).

Summary of meetings

Thursday, 23 December 2004

General Assembly

Fifty-ninth session

76th plenary meeting

New Partnership for Africa's Development: progress in implementation and international support . . . . . [38]

(a) New Partnership for Africa's Development: progress in implementation and international support: draft resolution (A/59/L.33/Rev.1)

(b) Causes of conflict and the promotion of durable peace and sustainable development in Africa: draft resolution (A/59/L.50/Rev.1)

The General Assembly resumed its consideration of agenda item 38 and its sub-items (a) and (b).

The representative of the Secretariat made a statement, in the course of which she orally corrected draft resolution A/59/L.33/Rev.1.

The representative of Qatar made a statement, in the course of which he introduced draft resolutions A/59/L.33/Rev.1, as orally corrected, and A/59/L.50/Rev.1.

The General Assembly decided to waive the relevant provisions of rule 78 of the rules of procedure and decided to consider draft resolution A/59/L.33/Rev.1, as orally corrected.

The representative of Egypt made a statement on a point of order.

The General Assembly adopted draft resolutions A/59/L.33/Rev.1, as orally corrected, and A/59/L.50/Rev.1 (resolutions 59/254 and 59/255).

The General Assembly decided to conclude its consideration of sub-items (a) and (b) of agenda item 38 and of agenda item 38 as a whole.

The role of the United Nations in promoting a new global human order . . . . . [41]

The General Assembly decided to defer consideration of agenda item 41 and to include it in the provisional agenda of the sixty-first session.

The General Assembly thus concluded its consideration of agenda item 41.

2001-2010: Decade to Roll Back Malaria in Developing Countries, Particularly in Africa: draft resolution (A/59/L.56) . . . . . [46]

The General Assembly resumed its consideration of agenda item 46.

The representative of the United Republic of Tanzania made a statement, in the course of which she introduced draft resolution A/59/L.56.

The General Assembly adopted draft resolution A/59/L.56 (resolution 59/256).

The General Assembly decided to conclude its consideration of agenda item 46.

Cooperation between the United Nations and regional and other organizations . . [56]

(d) Cooperation between the United Nations and the Black Sea Economic Cooperation Organization: draft resolution (A/59/L.57)

(k) Cooperation between the United Nations and the Latin American Economic System: draft resolution (A/59/L.55)

(o) Cooperation between the United Nations and the Organization of American States: draft resolution (A/59/L.41/Rev.1)

The General Assembly resumed its consideration of sub-items (d), (k) and (o) of agenda item 56.

The representative of Panama made a statement, in the course of which he introduced draft resolutions A/59/L.41/Rev.1 and A/59/L.55 and orally revised draft resolution A/59/L.55.

The General Assembly adopted draft resolutions A/59/L.41/Rev.1, A/59/L.55, as orally revised, and A/59/L.57 (resolutions 59/257, 59/258 and 59/259).

The General Assembly decided to conclude its consideration of sub-items (d), (k) and (o) of agenda item 56.

The General Assembly thus concluded this stage of its consideration of agenda item 56.

Programme planning: report of the First Committee (A/59/618) . . . . . [109]

Under rule 66 of its rules of procedure, the General Assembly decided not to discuss the report of the First Committee which was before the Assembly.

The General Assembly took note of the report of the First Committee on agenda item 109 (A/59/618).

The Assembly thus concluded this stage of its consideration of agenda item 109.

The General Assembly thus concluded its consideration of all the reports of the First Committee.

Programme planning: report of the Special Political and Decolonization Committee (Fourth Committee) (A/59/621) . . . . . [109]

Under rule 66 of its rules of procedure, the General Assembly decided not to discuss the report of the Special Political and Decolonization Committee (Fourth Committee) which was before the Assembly.

The General Assembly took note of the report of the Special Political and Decolonization Committee (Fourth Committee) on agenda item 109 (A/59/621).

The Assembly thus concluded this stage of its consideration of agenda item 109.

The General Assembly thus concluded its consideration of all the reports of the Special Political and Decolonization Committee (Fourth Committee).

Reports of the Third Committee

Under rule 66 of its rules of procedure, the General Assembly decided not to discuss the reports of the Third Committee which were before the Assembly.

Advancement of women . . . . . [98]

(a) Report of the Third Committee (A/59/496, draft resolution III)

(b) Report of the Fifth Committee (A/59/641)

The General Assembly resumed its consideration of agenda item 98.

By 125 votes to 10, with 30 abstentions (recorded vote), the General Assembly adopted draft resolution III recommended by the Third Committee in paragraph 27 of its report (A/59/496) (resolution 59/260).

The General Assembly decided to conclude its consideration of agenda item 98.

Promotion and protection of the rights of children . . . . . [101]

(a) Report of the Third Committee (A/59/499, draft resolution II)

(b) Report of the Fifth Committee (A/59/642)

The General Assembly resumed its consideration of agenda item 101.

The representative of the United States made a statement in explanation of vote before the vote.

The General Assembly proceeded to take action on draft resolution II recommended by the Third Committee in paragraph 35 of its report (A/59/499).

	Yes	*Against*	*Abstentions*
Draft resolution II (recorded vote) Operative paragraph 9	110	26	12
Draft resolution II (recorded vote) Operative paragraph 23 (b)	116	4	33
Draft resolution II (recorded vote) Words "corporal punishment" in operative paragraph 38 (b)	115	3	34
Draft resolution II (recorded vote) Draft resolution as a whole (resolution 59/261)	166	2	1

The General Assembly decided to conclude its consideration of agenda item 101.

Human rights questions . . . . . [105]

(a) Implementation of human rights instruments

(i) Report of the Third Committee (A/59/503/Add.1, draft resolution I)

(ii) Report of the Fifth Committee (A/59/639)

The General Assembly resumed its consideration of sub-item (a) of agenda item 105.

The General Assembly adopted draft resolution I recommended by the Third Committee in paragraph 20 of its report (A/59/503/Add.1) (resolution 59/262).

The General Assembly decided to conclude its consideration of sub-item (a) of agenda item 105.

(c) Human rights situations and reports of special rapporteurs and representatives

(i) Report of the Third Committee (A/59/503/Add.1, draft resolution I)

(ii) Report of the Fifth Committee (A/59/640)

The General Assembly resumed its consideration of sub-item (c) of agenda item 105.

The General Assembly adopted draft resolution I recommended by the Third Committee in paragraph 60 of its report (A/59/503/Add.3) (resolution 59/263).

The representative of Myanmar made a statement in explanation of vote.

The General Assembly decided to conclude its consideration of sub-item (c) of agenda item 105.

The Assembly thus concluded this stage of its consideration of agenda item 105.

Programme planning: report of the Third Committee (A/59/609) . . . . . [109]

The General Assembly took note of the report of the Third Committee on agenda item 109 (A/59/609).

The General Assembly thus concluded this stage of its consideration of agenda item 109.

The Assembly thus concluded its consideration of all the reports of the Third Committee.

International convention against the reproductive cloning of human beings . . . . [150]

(a) Report of the Sixth Committee (A/59/516)

(b) Report of the Fifth Committee (A/59/638)

Under rule 66 of its rules of procedure, the General Assembly decided not to discuss the report of the Sixth Committee which was before the Assembly.

The General Assembly adopted the draft decision recommended by the Sixth Committee in paragraph 11 of its report (A/59/516).

The Assembly thus concluded this stage of its consideration of agenda item 150.

The General Assembly thus concluded its consideration of all the reports of the Sixth Committee.

Reports of the Fifth Committee

The Rapporteur of the Fifth Committee introduced the reports of the Fifth Committee on agenda items 106, 111 to 119, 121, 122, 109, 108 and 107.

Under rule 66 of its rules of procedure, the General Assembly decided not to discuss the reports of the Fifth Committee which were before the Assembly

Financial reports and audited financial statements, and reports of the Board of Auditors: report of the Fifth Committee (A/59/588) . . . . . [106]

The General Assembly adopted the draft resolution recommended by the Fifth Committee in paragraph 7 of its report (A/59/588) (resolution 59/264).

The Assembly thus concluded this stage of its consideration of agenda item 106.

Administrative and budgetary coordination of the United Nations with the specialized agencies and the International Atomic Energy Agency: report of the Fifth Committee (A/59/605) . . . . . [111]

The General Assembly adopted the draft decision recommended by the Fifth Committee in paragraph 6 of its report (A/59/605).

The Assembly thus concluded this stage of its consideration of agenda item 111.

Pattern of conferences: report of the Fifth Committee (A/59/644) . . . . . [112]

The General Assembly adopted the draft resolution recommended by the Fifth Committee in paragraph 6 of its report (A/59/644) (resolution 59/265).

The Assembly thus concluded this stage of its consideration of agenda item 112.

Scale of assessments for the apportionment of the expenses of the United Nations: report of the Fifth Committee (A/59/421/Add.1) . . . . . [113]

The General Assembly adopted the draft resolution recommended by the Fifth Committee in paragraph 6 of its report (A/59/421/Add.1) (resolution 59/266).

The Assembly thus concluded this stage of its consideration of agenda item 113.

Human resources management: report of the Fifth Committee (A/59/650) . . . . . [114]

The General Assembly adopted the draft resolution recommended by the Fifth Committee in paragraph 7 of its report (A/59/650) (resolution 59/267).

The Assembly thus concluded this stage of its consideration of agenda item 114.

Joint Inspection Unit: report of the Fifth Committee (A/59/646) . . . . . [115]

The General Assembly adopted the draft resolution recommended by the Fifth Committee in paragraph 8 of its report (A/59/646) (resolution 59/268).

The Assembly thus concluded this stage of its consideration of agenda item 115.

United Nations common system: report of the Fifth Committee (A/59/647) . . . . [116]

The General Assembly adopted the draft resolution recommended by the Fifth Committee in paragraph 9 of its report, as orally corrected (A/59/647) (resolution 59/269).

The Assembly thus concluded this stage of its consideration of agenda item 116.

United Nations pension system: report of the Fifth Committee (A/59/606) . . . . . [117]

The General Assembly adopted the draft resolution recommended by the Fifth Committee in paragraph 8 of its report (A/59/606) (resolution 59/270).

The Assembly thus concluded this stage of its consideration of agenda item 117.

Report of the Secretary-General on the activities of the Office of Internal Oversight Services: report of the Fifth Committee (A/59/648) . . . . . [118]

The General Assembly adopted draft resolutions I and II recommended by the Fifth Committee in paragraph 7 of its report (A/59/648) (resolutions 59/271 and 59/272).

The Assembly thus concluded this stage of its consideration of agenda item 118.

Review of the implementation of General Assembly resolutions 48/218 B and 54/244: report of the Fifth Committee (A/59/649) . . . . . [119]

The General Assembly adopted the draft resolution recommended by the Fifth Committee in paragraph 5 of its report (A/59/649) (resolution 59/273).

Statements in explanation of vote were made by the representatives of Cuba, the Netherlands (on behalf of the European Union and Switzerland) and the United States.

The Assembly thus concluded this stage of its consideration of agenda item 119.

Financing of the International Criminal Tribunal for the Prosecution of Persons Responsible for Genocide and Other Serious Violations of International Humanitarian Law Committed in the Territory of Rwanda and Rwandan Citizens Responsible for Genocide and Other Such Violations Committed in the Territory of Neighbouring States between 1 January and 31 December 1994: report of the Fifth Committee (A/59/603) [121]

The General Assembly adopted the draft resolution recommended by the Fifth Committee in paragraph 6 of its report (A/59/603) (resolution 59/274).

The Assembly thus concluded this stage of its consideration of agenda item 121.

Financing of the International Tribunal for the Prosecution of Persons Responsible for Serious Violations of International Humanitarian Law Committed in the Territory of the Former Yugoslavia since 1991: report of the Fifth Committee (A/59/604) . . . . . [122]

The General Assembly adopted the draft resolution recommended by the Fifth Committee in paragraph 6 of its report (A/59/604) (resolution 59/275).

The Assembly thus concluded this stage of its consideration of agenda item 122.

Programme planning: report of the Fifth Committee (A/59/651) . . . . . [109]

The representative of Cuba made a statement in explanation of vote before the vote.

The General Assembly adopted the draft resolution recommended by the Fifth Committee in paragraph 9 of its report (A/59/651) (resolution 59/276).

The Assembly thus concluded this stage of its consideration of agenda item 109.

Programme budget for the biennium 2004-2005: report of the Fifth Committee (A/59/448/Add.2) . . . . . [108]

The General Assembly adopted draft resolutions I and II recommended by the Fifth Committee in paragraph 43 of its report (A/59/448/Add.2) (resolutions 59/277 and 59/278).

The General Assembly also adopted draft decisions I and II recommended by the Fifth Committee in paragraph 44 of its report (A/59/448/Add.2).

Statements in explanation of vote were made by the representatives of Cuba and the Syrian Arab Republic.

The Assembly thus concluded this stage of its consideration of agenda item 108.

Review of the efficiency of the administrative and financial functioning of the United Nations: report of the Fifth Committee (A/59/652). . . . . [107]

The General Assembly adopted the draft resolution recommended by the Fifth Committee in paragraph 9 of its report (A/59/652) (resolution 59/279).

The General Assembly also adopted the draft decision recommended by the Fifth Committee in paragraph 10 of its report (A/59/652).

The Assembly thus concluded this stage of its consideration of agenda item 107.

Statements were made by the representatives of Qatar (on behalf of the Group of 77 and China), Nigeria and the United States.

The General Assembly thus concluded its consideration of all the reports of the Fifth Committee before it.

Programme of work

The General Assembly decided to retain the following items in the agenda of the fifty-ninth session: 3 (b), 4 to 6, 10 to 12, 15 (c), 17 (h), (i) and (j), 19, 20, 24, 26, 27, 29 to 34, 36, 37, 40, 42, 43, 45, 48, 52 to 55, 56 (g) and (n), 75, 77, 84, 85 (b), 105 (b), 106 to 137, 146, 148, 150, 153 to 156, 158 and 163.

Statement by the President

The President made a statement.

Signatures, Ratifications, etc.

United Nations Convention on Jurisdictional Immunities of States and their Property
New York, 2 December 2004

Opening for signature

In accordance with its articles 28 and 33, the above Convention shall be open for signature by all States from 17 January 2005 until 17 January 2007, at United Nations Headquarters in New York.

Certified true copies of the Convention, of which the Arabic, Chinese, English, French, Russian and Spanish texts are equally authentic, will be prepared and will be transmitted to all States as soon as possible.

The Secretary-General takes this opportunity to recall that, under established international practice, only Heads of State, Heads of Government or Ministers for Foreign Affairs are empowered, by virtue of their functions, to sign a treaty on behalf of a State without having to produce full powers to that effect. Other representatives wishing to sign a treaty must be in possession of appropriate full powers, which expressly authorize signature of a specified treaty by a named representative issued by one of these authorities.

The Secretary-General would be obliged if States wishing to sign the Convention could notify and provide copies of the required full powers in advance to the Treaty Section, Office of Legal Affairs, at United Nations Headquarters in New York (tel. 1 (212) 963-5047; fax 1 (212) 963-3693; e-mail treaty@un.org).

For more information on full powers and a model instrument of full powers, please refer to the *Treaty Handbook* on the United Nations Treaty Collection Web site, which can be accessed at the following address: http://untreaty.un.org.

Treaty event
Multilateral Treaty Framework:
An invitation to Universal Participation
Focus 2005: Responding to Global Challenges
United Nations Headquarters
September 2005

Commencing with the Millennium Summit in September 2000, a series of successful treaty events has been held annually at the United Nations Headquarters.

Consistent with the Organization's objectives of consolidating and advancing the international rule of law and addressing the challenges highlighted in the report of the High-level Panel on Threats, Challenges and Change, entitled "A more secure world: Our shared responsibility" (A/59/565), the theme for the Treaty Event Focus 2005 will be "Responding to Global Challenges".

The Treaty Event will take place in September during the General Assembly at Headquarters. The dates of the event and the list of treaties being highlighted will be circulated as soon as possible. As customary, it will be possible to undertake treaty actions with regard to any treaty deposited with the Secretary-General during the event. Necessary facilities, including media coverage, will be made available for treaty actions to be undertaken in a solemn setting.

Delegations intending to sign or deposit instruments relating to multilateral treaties deposited with the Secretary-General may wish to inform their Governments accordingly for the purpose of completing the requisite domestic procedures.

Under the established international practice, only Heads of State, Heads of Government or Ministers for Foreign Affairs are empowered, by virtue of their functions, to sign treaties on behalf of States without having to produce full powers to that effect. All other representatives wishing to sign treaties must be in possession of appropriate full powers, which expressly authorize signature of specified treaties by a named representative issued and signed by one of these authorities. Likewise, instruments of ratification, acceptance, approval or accession must be issued and signed by the same authorities.

Further information concerning the requirements for full powers and the deposit of instruments of ratification, acceptance, approval or accession (including model instruments) can be found in the *Treaty Handbook*, which is available on the United Nations Treaty Collection web site (http://untreaty.un.org).

General information

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